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original form and I oppose that bill with every ounce of hollering I have inside of me. It is a dastardly bill. It should not be considered on the floor of this Legislature. It should not be given any consideration that would make the thoughts contained in 974 legitimate. It should stay where it is. I oppose the motion to override the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee, parenthesis, one of my favorite committees, parenthesis.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cope.

SENATOR COPE: Mr. President and members, I opposed this bill previously, not for this particular part of it, but one phase. I am going to support bringing it back. I think it needs attention and I think it needs it very much. I was a bit appalled when I looked through the list of contributions that was printed in the paper some time ago, at the amounts. Now I don't think there is a senator in this room that that is going to make any difference but let me tell you this. In my district if somebody was running against me and I took \$2,500 from some special interest group and if I were...if he were running against me and used that and printed it and passed it around, I might not be able to come back. I can tell you that and it could happen to other people. For that reason alone, I think that it should be controlled. I think there should be a limit. I had a limit when I ran both times, and it was the great sum of \$25.00. I spent \$2,500 the last time and I had one hundred people invested in my campaign and they worked for me and I think that is probably the most important reason that I am back in the Legislature this year. Naive you say? Maybe so. It worked twice and if I run again, I will do it the same way. It didn't cost me a penny the last time. So I think it should be looked at again.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the body, I have heard more about this bill than I care to and I would like to call the question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Senator Newell, do you want to withhold your motion? Senator Murphy. Senator Murphy passes. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Go ahead.